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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

( ) one month ( ) three months  
(X) two months ( ) four months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for a two-month extension of time is \$430.00.

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( ) Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.

A verified small entity statement:

( ) has been filed ( ) is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

( X ) Response/ Amendment ( ) Notice of Appeal ( ) Appeal Brief

( ) Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

( ) Sub Power of Attorney/Change of Correspondence Address

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